

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :
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Serial No. NEW : **Attorney Docket No. 2005_0231A**
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SAFETY STOCK AMOUNT CALCULATION
METHOD, SAFETY STOCK AMOUNT
CALCULATION DEVICE, REORDER POINT
CALCULATION METHOD, REORDER POINT
CALCULATION DEVICE, AND ORDER
QUANTITY CALCULATION METHOD
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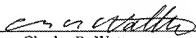
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